

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Senator Crosby.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Madam President and members. I spoke against the bill yesterday and I want Senator Schimek to remember that I said it was with...she is not looking friendly. Okay, thank you. Senator Wesely left the floor, I guess, because he was bragging about how many presidential campaigns he had been in. Well, good heavens, I go clear back to Wendell Willkie. That was the first one I heard on the radio and my mother was very angry with me because she is a Democrat and I was listening to Willkie, and why do you want to listen to him? Well, you know, because you get that bug early, and I lost a lot of elections. You see, I have a daughter Senator Wesely's age, so that puts me in the category of having been through lots of campaigns, and who did we see in Nebraska? Indeed, we did see President Truman, Thomas E. Dewey, President Eisenhower, Robert Kennedy twice. I heard him at a dinner and we all went out to Prospect Park to hear him again. I think we heard him at Prospect Park in Hastings in 1960, and then when he was running for president before his untimely demise, he spoke at a dinner and that was a very famous evening because a state plane was used to take him to Kansas City and there was really a big brouhaha between the parties about that. So I think it is fun to go back and reminisce about all those campaigns, and as I say, I have been through a lot of them, and lost more than we won. It seems to me that President Bush was here in 1988 because I went to something that I heard him speak. He was then Candidate Bush. So, yes, I am going to vote against it because I don't think it is timely. I don't quite see the point of it, and at this time, I think perhaps it should have another look. As I remember yesterday from the handouts that Senator Schimek gave us, someplace along the line Senator Carl Curtis happened to bring forth some kind of idea like this, so I guess it can't be all bad, since a rock-ribbed Republican like him would want it, or think maybe it was a good idea. And I read George Will's column which I thought was a very good one. I think he is a good writer and I thought it was a good presentation of the idea, but still today I am going to vote against it. We have so many things coming along this session on taxes and on election laws, and so on, that I think this one is redundant. So I will vote against it today and I am still smiling at you, DiAnna. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Crosby. I will now recognize Senator Withem, followed by Senator Schimek. Senator